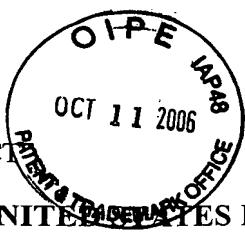


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Responsive to the notification dated September 6, 2006, and in accordance with the provisions of 35 USC 371, Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration and a Supplemental Application Data Sheet.

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Our payment in the amount of \$ 0.00 is paid herewith by credit card. If any difference exists between the amount due and the amount being paid herewith, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

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